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In the name of:

Date: June 20, 2002

Chan, et al.

Serial No.: 09/996,127

Group Art Unit: 2171

Filing Date: November 27, 2001

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Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR COMPOSING A QUERY FOR A DATABASE

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PETITION FOR CORRECTION OF INVENTORSHIP UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a)

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Sir:

The above-referenced patent application was filed November 27, 2001. Submitted on February 15, 2002 was a Declaration under 37 C.F.R. §1.63, executed by Victor CHAN, Fen WANG and Mark W. HUBBARD. Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to correct the inventorship of the present application to include the addition of the following individual as a named inventor:

Howard Chun CHIN, Citizen of Canada 36 Southgate Avenue North York, Ontario M3H1B2 Canada

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.48(a), submitted herewith is a statement by Mr. CHIN, a Supplemental Declaration executed by all named inventors, and an Assent to Correction/Addition of Inventors executed by the Assignee of Record, International Business Machines, Inc.

Check No. <u>4243</u> in the amount of <u>\$130.00</u> is enclosed for payment of the Petition Fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication to Deposit Account <u>02-2120</u> (Sawyer Law Group LLP).

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Respectfully submitted,

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SUPPLEMENTAL SECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION

As below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below, next to our names,

We believe that we are first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

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the specification of which

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is attached hereto.

X was filed on November 27, 2001 as Application Ser. No.: 09/996 127 and was amended on ______ (if applicable).

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We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56 (a).

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119, of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Applic	Priority Claimed			
2,327,167 (Number)	Canada (Country)	November 30, 2000 (Day/Month/Year Filed)	XYes	No
(Number)	(Country)	(Day/Month/Year Filed)	Yes	No

We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, Section 112, we acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

(Application Serial No.)	(Filing Date)	(Status patented, pending, abandoned)
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We hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

POWER OF ATTORNEY: As named inventors, we hereby appoint the following attorneys and/or agents to prosecute this application and conduct all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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Signature of Inventor:

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COMBINED (SUPPLEMENTAL) DECLARATION/POWER OF ATTORNEY (combined)

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Signature of Inventor:

Date: April 19/02

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STATEMENT BY OMITTED INVENTOR **UNDER 37 CFR § 1.48(a)**

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Sir:

I, Howard Chun CHIN, hereby state that I believe I am an original, first and joint-inventor in the above-referenced patent application, and that the error identifying the inventorship of the above-referenced patent application occurred without any deceptive intention on my part.

Submitted herewith is a Declaration pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.63 executed by myself and my co-inventors, Victor CHAN, Fen WANG and Mark W. HUBBARD. Further, as this application was previously assigned of record to International Business Machines Corporation, I submit an Assignment executed concurrently with the Declaration.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Signed this _____ day of ______

Howard Chun CHIN

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ASSENT OF ASSIGNEE TO CORRECTION/ADDITION OF INVENTORSHIP UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a)

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Sir:

International Business Machines Corporation is the owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to the above-referenced patent application by virtue of an Assignment recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on March 5, 2002 under Reel/Frame No. 012733/0641.

Assignee hereby assents to the correct of inventorship and confirms that the inventors for the present application are as named in the Supplemental Declaration filed herewith.

Signed this 13th day of Gune, 2002.

Ingrid M. Foerster

Staff Counsel and Attorney of Record International Business Machines Corp.





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Sir:

In reference to the above-identified application, please find enclosed the following:

- 1) Petition for Correction of Inventorship under 37 CFR 1.48(a)
- 2) Check in the amount of \$130.00
- 3) Statement by Omitted Inventor
- 4) Supplemental Declaration executed by joint-inventors
- 5) Assent of Assignee to Correction of Inventorship
- 6) Assignment by added Inventor and Recordation Cover Sheet
- 7) Transmittal Letter
- 8) Post card.

If any unresolved issues remain, please contact Applicant's attorney at the telephone number below.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen G. Sullivan

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